DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1.   An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes

and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided

by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be

submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview

with Mr. Halajian on 12/18/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

In claim 1, line 7, after "each" add --predefined--;

In claim 10, line 6, after "each" add --predefined--;

In claim 19, line 3, after each add --predefined--.

Allowable Subject Matter

2.   Claims 1-25 are allowed.

3.   The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art

of record does not teach a record carrier that comprises a stream of input words stored

as a stream of groups of N codewords such that a combined digital sum of each

predefined group of adjacent codewords equal to zero; the prior art does not also teach

the coding of a stream of N codewords into a stream of postcoded M output words using

a particular table where the number of input words is less than the number of output

words.